

## **ARTICLE XVIII - LR LAKEFRONT RECREATION DISTRICTS**

### **PREAMBLE**

The primary intent of the LR Lakefront Recreation District is to provide for areas abutting Muskegon Lake including Muskegon River and Lake Michigan to be utilized for both public and private recreational and recreation oriented facilities. It is intended that any commercial facilities be limited to water related recreation activities.

### **SECTION 1800: PRINCIPAL USED PERMITTED**

In the LR Lakefront Recreation District, no building or land shall be used and no building shall be erected, structurally altered, or occupied except for one (1) or more of the following specified uses, unless otherwise provided in this Ordinance.

1. Marinas for the berthing and servicing of boats, but without major repair or storage facilities.
2. Restaurants and cocktail lounges.
3. Hotels and motels.
4. Accessory buildings and accessory uses customarily incidental to the above Principal Uses Permitted.
5. Uses similar to the above Principal Uses Permitted.

### **SECTION 1801: SPECIAL LAND USES PERMITTED**

The following uses, and their accessory buildings and accessory uses, shall be permitted under the purview of Section 2332 after review and approval of the use (and a site plan, if required) by the Planning Commission, after Public Hearing, subject to the applicable conditions, and any other reasonable conditions imposed by the Planning Commission:

1. Residential development projects.
2. Private clubs, lodge halls, social, or recreational uses.
3. Accessory buildings and accessory uses customarily incidental to the above Special Land Use Permitted.
4. Seasonal, recreational, camper and trailer parks, and facilities.
5. Uses similar to the above Special Land Uses Permitted.

## SECTION 1802: PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS [amended 10/98]

Planned developments may be allowed by the Planning Commission under the procedural guidelines of Section 2101. The intent of Planned Unit Developments in the LR Lakefront Recreation Districts is to allow mixed land uses, which are compatible to each other, while prohibiting nonresidential uses which would not be compatible or harmonious with lakefront recreation activities, or residential dwellings.

## SECTION 1803: AREA AND BULK REQUIREMENTS [amended 4/00]

1. Minimum lot size: 21,780 sq. feet.
2. Dedicated open space requirement: 15%
3. Maximum lot coverage:  
Buildings: 60 %  
Pavement: 15 %
4. Lot width: 150 feet (shall be measured at road frontage unless a cul-de-sac, then measured from setback).
5. Maximum building width: 50% (as a portion of the lot width).
6. Width to depth ratios: The depth of any lot(s) or parcel(s) shall not be more than three (3) times longer its width.
7. Height limit: 4 stories or 60 feet.

Height measurement: In the case of a principal building, the vertical distance measured from the average finished grade to the highest point of the roof surface where the building line abuts the front yard, except as follows: to the deck line of mansard roofs, and the average height between eaves and the ridge of gable, hip, and gambrel roofs (see Figure 2-2). If the ground is not entirely level, the grade shall be determined by averaging the elevation of the ground for each face of the building (see Figure 2-3).

8. Front Setbacks: [amended 1/05]  
Minimum:  
Expressway or Arterial Street: 30 feet  
Collector or Major Street: 20 feet  
Minor Street: 10 feet
9. Rear setback: 10 feet
10. Setback from the ordinary high water mark or wetland: 75 feet (principal structures only).

11. Side setbacks:
- 1-story: 8 feet and 12 feet
  - 2-story: 10 feet and 14 feet
  - 3-story: 12 feet and 16 feet
  - 4-story: 16 feet and 20 feet

Note, setback measurement: All required setbacks shall be measured from the right-of-way line to the nearest point of the determined drip line of buildings. [amended 10/02]

12. Zero lot line option: New principal buildings may be erected on the rear lot line and/or one side lot line provided: [amended 10/02]
- a. The building has an approved fire rating for zero-lot line development under the building code.
  - b. The building has adequate fire access preserved pursuant to fire code requirements.
  - c. The zero lot line side is not adjacent to a street.
  - d. A maintenance access easement is granted by the adjacent property owner and recorded with the County Register of Deeds and provided to the zoning administrator with the site plan or plot plan.
  - e. It is not adjacent to wetlands, or waterfront.
13. All required side and rear setbacks shall be landscaped, greenbelt buffers, unless zero-lot-line is employed for a structure or fire access. At least fifty percent of all required front setbacks shall be landscaped and adjacent to the road right-of-way. An average minimum greenbelt of 10 feet shall be maintained along each street frontage. [amended 12/01, amended 10/02]